



U.S. Department of Justice

Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D.C. 20535

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DEPT MR 65533
411A Highland Ave
Somerville, MA 02411-2516

Dear Mr. Higgins:

This acknowledges receipt of your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) requests to the FBI. The FOIPA requests numbers below have been assigned.

FOIA Number	Subject	DEPT MR
1424575-000	Blum, William	65533
1424577-000	Baumgarten, Lothar	65534
1424579-000	Pillard, Monique	65531
1424581-000	Kahn, Helen	65532
1425992-000	Ford, Dean	67076
1425993-000	Parisot, Aldo	66817
1425994-000	Garfield, Brian	67071
1425995-000	Gimbel, Norman	66818
1425999-000	Wells, Warren	66819
1426002-000	Lantree, Honey	67077
1426003-000	Loinger, Georges	67075
1426004-000	Roberts, Lawrence	66823
1426005-000	McGuire, Christine	67078
1426006-000	Roman, Nancy	66822
1426008-000	Meldrum, Oeter	67070
1426009-000	Okerlund, Gene	66815
1426011-000	Harris, Judith	66816
1426012-000	Payton, Bre	66821
1426013-000	Whitfield, June	66820
1426016-000	Casely-Hayford, Joe	67072

- ☒ Your request has been received at FBI Headquarters for processing.
- ☒ For the purpose of assessing fees, we have made the following determination:
- ☐ As a commercial use requester, you will be charged applicable search, review, and duplication fees in accordance with 5 USC § 552 (a)(4)(A)(ii)(I).
 - ☐ As an educational institution, noncommercial scientific institution or representative of the news media requester, you will be charged applicable duplication fees in accordance with 5 USC § 552 (a)(4)(A)(ii)(II).
 - ☒ As a general (all others) requester, you will be charged applicable search and duplication fees in accordance with 5 USC § 552 (a)(4)(A)(ii)(III).
- ☒ Please be advised that we have determined “unusual circumstances” apply to the processing of your request. See 5 U.S.C. § 552 (a)(6)(B)(iii). “Unusual circumstances” include the following scenarios:
- There is a need to search for and collect records from field offices and/or other offices that are separate from the FBI Record/Information Dissemination Section (RIDS).
- There is a need to search for, collect, and examine a voluminous amount of separate and distinct records.
- There is a need for consultation with another agency or two or more DOJ components.
- “Exceptional circumstances” also apply to this the sheer volume, unbounded scope, and size of these requests which may trigger an unpredictable workload for the FBI which cannot reasonably plan for a single requester to consume such a vast quantity of its finite FOIA resources. See 5 U.S.C. § 552 (a)(6)(C)(i).
- Per 5 U.S.C. § 552 (a)(4)(C)(iii), as pertinent to “exceptional circumstances,” the FBI is providing you an opportunity to reasonably modify the scope of these requests. You have 30 days from the date of this letter to provide any reasonable modification
- These “unusual” and “exceptional” circumstances will delay our ability to make a determination on your requests with multiple subparts. Additionally, the payment of pertinent fees may apply to your request. See 5 U.S.C. § 552 (a)(4)(A)(viii).

Please check the status of your FOIPA request at www.fbi.gov/foia by clicking on **FOIPA Status** and entering your FOIPA Request Number. Status updates are adjusted weekly. The status of newly assigned requests may not be available until the next weekly update. If the FOIPA has been closed the notice will indicate that appropriate correspondence has been mailed to the address on file.

For questions regarding our determinations, visit the www.fbi.gov/foia website under “Contact Us.” The FOIPA Request number listed above has been assigned to your request. Please use this number in all correspondence concerning your request. Your patience is appreciated.

You may file an appeal by writing to the Director, Office of Information Policy (OIP), United States Department of Justice, Suite 11050, 1425 New York Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C. 20530-0001, or you may submit an appeal through OIP's FOIAonline portal by creating an account on the following web site: <https://foiaonline.regulations.gov/foia/action/public/home>. Your appeal must be postmarked or electronically transmitted within ninety (90) days from the date of this letter in order to be considered timely. If you submit your appeal by mail, both the letter and the envelope should be clearly marked “Freedom of Information Act Appeal.” Please cite the FOIPA Request Number assigned to your request so that it may be easily identified.

You may seek dispute resolution services by contacting the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) at 877-684-6448, or by emailing ogis@nara.gov. Alternatively, you may contact the FBI's FOIA Public Liaison by emailing foipaquestions@ic.fbi.gov. If you submit your dispute resolution correspondence by email, the subject heading should clearly state "Dispute Resolution Services." Please also cite the FOIPA Request Number assigned to your request so that it may be easily identified.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D. Hardy", with a stylized flourish at the end.

David M. Hardy
Section Chief,
Record/Information
Dissemination Section
Records Management Division